State Government of Assam during 2001-2002. The State Government has not yet reported any expenditure out of these releases.

FDI in Print Media

*306. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:
SHRIMOOLCHAND MEENA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recent decision of Government to allow foreign direct investment in the print media has generated interest in Germany;

(b) whether there has been any offer from Germany on FDI in print media;

(c) if so, the reaction of Government thereto;

(d) whether any proposals in this regard have been forwarded and suggested by Germany; and

(e) if so, by when a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (e) The Government has not received any offer or proposal from Germany for granting permission for FDI in News/Current Affairs or Scientific/Technical/Speciality Journals.

Amendment to Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques Act, 1994

*307. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to amend the Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques Act, 1994;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the view points of Delhi Medical Association and Medical Lawyers were sought for and considered before approving the amendments and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA): (a) to (c) A Bill to amend the Pre-Natal